

BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

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**BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION**
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: April 21, 2006

FULL BOARD:

Date: May 2, 2006 (Tuesday)
JOINT MEETING (FISH AND GAME COMMISSION)
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: North Tahoe Conference Center (Highway 28)
8318 North Lake Blvd.
Kings Beach, California

Date: May 4, 2006 (Thursday)
EXECUTIVE SESSION
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Location: North Tahoe Conference Center (Highway 28)
8318 North Lake Blvd.
Kings Beach, California

Date: May 4, 2006 (Thursday)
REGULAR SESSION
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE
May 3, 2006
Time: 8:00 a.m. - noon

Location: North Tahoe Conference Center (Highway 28)
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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
May 3, 2006
Time: 8:00 a.m. - noon

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POLICY COMMITTEE
May 3, 2006
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RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
May 3, 2006
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Note: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at:
http://www.fire.ca.gov/bof/board/board_current_docs.html

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FULL BOARD AGENDA

JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD AND THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

1. Introductions.
2. Welcoming remarks by the Chairman of The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection and the President of The California Fish and Game Commission.
3. Report of the Resources Agency Regarding Departmental Collaboration.
4. Report of the Director, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF).
5. Report of the Director, California Department of Fish and Game (DFG).
6. Report by the Departments Regarding Implementation of Joint Policy on Pre-, During and Post Fire Activities and Wildlife Habitat. Discussion on Statewide MOU for Fire Safe Clearance/Wildlife. **(Possible Action Item: Board and Commission may recommend or adopt modifications)**
7. Report by the Departments regarding implementation of Joint Policy on Hardwoods. **(Possible Action Item: Board and Commission may recommend or adopt modifications)**
8. Report by the Departments Regarding Implementation of Joint Policy on Pacific Salmon and Anadromous Trout. Report by Department of Fish and Game on the Coho Salmon Recovery Strategy. **(Possible Action Item: Board and Commission may recommend or adopt modifications)**
9. Report of other Federal Agencies Including USDA Forest Service, US Fish & Wildlife Service, and US Environmental Protection Agency.
10. **Public Forum** Members of the public may address the Board and Commission on any topic within their respective jurisdictions not otherwise on the agenda. Please be prepared to summarize comment to five minutes in length.
11. New and Unfinished Business
12. Adjournment

FIELD TRIP AT CONCLUSION OF JOINT MEETING

Field Trip: The Fish and Game Commission and Board members wishing to participate will be taking a boat tour of Lake Tahoe. Capacity of the vessel is very limited. The public is invited to attend, but will have to provide their own transportation.

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Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. Cases to be discussed are: **Gualala Redwoods, Inc. v. California State Board of Forestry, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Andrea Tuttle, and Does 1 through 10**, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 02-CS00356, **Walter Simonis**, CP-02-06, **Hudson Fisk**, CP-04-08, **Big Creek v. Santa Cruz**, (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.)

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Note: The Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits and may discuss agenda items scheduled for committees, including legislation. **The Board may act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for 45-day notice of rulemaking.** If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff, preferably prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.

8:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes from April 2006.
3. Consent Calendar – see attached Consent Calendar for actions to be considered under this agenda item.

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Board will act upon them at one time without discussion. If any Board Member, staff, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it will be taken up in the regular agenda order.

4. Report of the Chairman.
5. Report of the Director/Department.

6. Report of the California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF). Overview of the program, Mark Stanley, Chair.

7. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

- Forest Pest Council
- Range Management Advisory Committee
- Monitoring Study Group
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee

Possible Action Items: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

8. Report of the United States Forest Service.

9. Report/update on the State Petition Process for United States Forest Service Inventoried Roadless Areas. Giny Chandler, Chief Counsel, CDF. **(Possible action item: Board may issue direction to staff on the petition process)**

10. Report by Tahoe Regional Planning Agency on the Pathway Forum.

11. Report by the California Tahoe Conservancy. Patrick Wright, Executive Officer.

12. Update on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF) Draft Management Plan. Information on the DEIR may be found at:

http://www.fire.ca.gov/php/rsrc-mgt_jackson_deir_2005.php

13. Report of Sensitive Watershed Nominations Review, Forest Practice, Policy, Management, and Resource Protection Committees.

14. Report of the Regulations Coordinator

Note: The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.

Possible Action Items: Recommendations to Board for Regulatory Actions (See Committee Agendas).

15. Report of Executive Officer.

Note: The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.

16. **Public Forum:** Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman.

17. New and Unfinished Business

18. Adjournment

NOTE:

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, A PUBLIC SCOPING HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT OF THE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM. THIS HEARING WILL BEGIN NO SOONER THAN NOON, AND WILL LAST FOR AS LONG AS NECESSARY TO HEAR COMMENT. IF YOU WISH TO COMMENT, PLEASE INDICATE YOUR DESIRE TO DO SO NO LATER THAN NOON OF MAY 4TH TO BOARD STAFF.

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

May 3, 2006

Time: 8:00 a.m. - noon

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1. Consideration of Threatened or Impaired Watershed Regulations, Discussion of process and timing of Board review. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendation to full Board for 45-day notice of rulemaking; Recommendation for Board review.
2. Report on the Tahoe Handbook for Fuel Hazard Reduction Best Management Practices. Martin Goldberg, Lake Valley Fire
3. Discussion of MOU and the exemption process for the Lake Tahoe Region. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendation to full Board for 45-day notice for rulemaking.
4. Discussion of Lake Tahoe Region Exemption. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendation to full Board for 15 or 45-day notice for rulemaking.
5. Discussion of a Proposed Rule Change by NorCal SAF to modify 14 CCR 939.15 and 959.15 to facilitate the restoration of Aspen. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendation to full Board for 45-day notice for rulemaking.
6. New and Unfinished Business (Interagency Road Rules Task Force).

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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1. Discussion on the Development of Road Management Plan Regulation.
2. Status report on the Stewardship Non-Industrial Timber Plan.
3. Discussion of Long-Term Management Vehicles (SYPs, PTEIRs).
4. New and Unfinished Business

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POLICY COMMITTEE

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1. Update on Current Legislation of Interest to the Board.
2. Discussion Regarding the Draft Board Policy Statement.
3. Discussion on Rule Monitoring Protocol.
4. New and Unfinished Business (Performance-Based Pilot Project, Joint Policies)

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1. Report by CDF Deputy Director, Fire Protection.
2. Updates on Cooperative Fire Protection Agreements and California Fire Assistance Agreements.
3. Discussion of the VMP Process/Framework for Policy Review. Update on Notice of Preparation for VMP EIR.
4. USFS Fire and Aviation Program Updates including Cooperative Fire Protection Agreements and California Fire Assistance Agreements.
5. Update on General Plan Safety Element Reviews: Cities of Goleta and Newport Beach
6. Advisory Committee Reports: Statewide Fire Safe Council
Range Management Advisory Committee
Vegetation Management Program
7. Update on California Fire Plan.
8. New and Unfinished Business (Update/Report on 4291 Program).

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CONSENT CALENDAR

RPF VITAL STATISTICS

For presentation to the
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NO ITEMS TO REPORT.